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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JACKIE RAY HOVARTER,

Plaintiff,

v.

RON BROOMFIELD,

Defendant.

Case No. 22-cv-04640-KAW

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE; TERMINATING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

On August 12, 2023, Petitioner, a California prisoner, filed this petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 challenging his state criminal conviction. The Court granted Petitioner's request for appointment of counsel, and Petitioner's counsel appeared on November 8, 2022. (Dkt. Nos. 10, 11.) On December 20, 2022, Petitioner requested an extension of time to file an amended habeas petition. (Dkt. No. 13.) On April 18, 2023, Petitioner gave notice that he would not file an amended habeas petition and would stand on the original petition. (Dkt. No. 14.)

Accordingly, the Court TERMINATES Plaintiff's December 20, 2022 request for an extension of time as moot. Having reviewed the August 12, 2022 petition for a writ of habeas corpus, it does not appear from the face of the petition that it is without merit. Good cause appearing, the Court hereby issues the following orders:

- 1. The clerk must serve a copy of this order and the petition upon the respondent and the respondent's attorney, the Attorney General of the State of California, and include a copy of the "consent or declination to magistrate judge jurisdiction form."
- No later than sixty days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall file with this 2. Court and serve upon Petitioner an Answer conforming in all respects to Rule 5 of the Rules

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Governing Section 2254 Cases, showing cause why a writ of habeas corpus should not be issued.
Respondent shall file with the Answer all portions of the state record that have been transcribed
previously and are relevant to a determination of the issues presented by the petition. If Petitioner
wishes to respond to the Answer, he shall do so by filing a Traverse with the Court and serving it
on Respondent within thirty days of his receipt of the Answer. If he does not do so, the petition
will be deemed submitted and ready for decision on the date the Traverse is due.

- 3. No later than sixty days from the date of this Order, Respondent may file with this Court and serve upon Petitioner a motion to dismiss on procedural grounds in lieu of an Answer, as set forth in the Advisory Committee Notes to Rule 4 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases. If Respondent files such a motion, Petitioner shall file with the Court and serve on Respondent an opposition or statement of non-opposition to the motion within thirty days of receipt of the motion, and Respondent shall file with the Court and serve on Petitioner a reply within fourteen days of receipt of an opposition.
- 4. Extensions of time are not favored, though reasonable extensions will be granted. Any motion for an extension of time must be filed no later than **three days** prior to the deadline sought to be extended.
- 5. Respondent shall file their Consent or Declination to Magistrate Judge Jurisdiction on or before the date the answer is due. This form can be found at www.cand.uscourts.gov/civilforms.

This order disposes of Dkt. No. 13.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 14, 2023

KANDIS A. WESTMORE United States Magistrate Judge